



# *Proclamation*

## *Presented*

### **In Recognition of Dr. Jacqueline “Jackie” Young**

**WHEREAS, Dr. Jacqueline “Jackie” Young** was born on O‘ahu on May 20, 1934, graduating from Punahou School in 1952 and matriculating in 1967 as a nontraditional student at the University of Hawai‘i as a mother of four, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in Speech Pathology and Audiology in 1969 before earning a number of advanced degrees, including a PhD in Communication and Women’s Studies at the Union Institute in Ohio, which would bestow on her their inaugural Humanitarian Award in 1994; and

**WHEREAS, Dr. Jacqueline “Jackie” Young** has been a learned and experienced advocate for those facing challenges and discrimination, having served with the Hawai‘i Department of Education to found and administer its special education programs and acted as their Director of Gender Equity; assisted the University of Hawai‘i in implementing the Patsy T. Mink Equal Opportunity in Education Act; been appointed in 1994 as the State of Hawai‘i Director of Affirmative Action; and served from 1994-1997 as an executive member of the United States Defense Advisory Committee for Women In The Services; and

**WHEREAS, Dr. Jacqueline “Jackie” Young** has made exceptional contributions to the Windward O‘ahu community, being elected in 1990 to the Hawai‘i State House of Representatives, demonstrating leadership as the first woman Vice-Speaker of the House of Representatives, accomplishing the preservation of Mount Olomana, and serving as a founder and board member for the Windward Spouse Abuse Shelter Hale Ola; and

**WHEREAS, Dr. Jacqueline “Jackie” Young** was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1998 and recently completed an accomplished tenure as Chief Staff Officer for Mission at the American Cancer Society Hawai‘i Pacific from 1999-2013, while working with the American Cancer society to build partnerships with community groups, patients, and legislators; and

**WHEREAS, Dr. Jacqueline “Jackie” Young** has been the recipient of numerous awards honoring her service to the people of Hawai‘i, including the National Education Association’s Mary Hatwood Futrell National Award in 1998 for her lifetime work in advancing the rights of women and girls in education and being appointed to the National Advisory Council of the American Civil Liberties Union, who named her Civil Libertarian of the Year in Hawai‘i; she has been appointed to the Hawai‘i Judicial Selection Commission;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor** for the State of Hawai‘i, do hereby proclaim June 13, 2014, as

## **“JACKIE YOUNG DAY”**

in Hawai‘i, and ask all citizens of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing her many contributions to the people of Hawai‘i and her proud history of advocacy on behalf of women, girls, and those with special needs in education and beyond.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai‘i, this thirteenth day of June, 2014.

  
**NEIL ABERCROMBIE**  
Governor, State of Hawai‘i

  
**SHAN S. TSUTSUI**  
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai‘i